

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **A PROCLAMATION COMPLEX REGIONAL PAIN SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY**

WHEREAS: Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), also known as Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD), is a chronic and painful nerve disorder that affects one limb and usually develops following

an injury; and

The two types of CRPS vary based upon the cause of the condition. CRPS Type 1, also known WHEREAS:

as Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD), follows simple trauma that does not lead to direct

nerve damage, whereas CRPS Type 2 follows a distinct and major nerve injury; and

WHEREAS: CRPS is primarily characterized by pain that is more severe than expected from a particular

injury. The symptoms of CRPS/RSD may include severe burning sensations, extreme

sensitivity to touch, swelling, tremors, and tightening of the muscles; and

Although CRPS was first identified during the American Civil War, the condition is still not WHEREAS:

well understood today and there is no cure; and

WHEREAS: Many organizations and institutions, such as the National Institute of Neurological Disorders

and Stroke, are committed to furthering research of CRPS/RSD to identify new treatments and

discover a cure; and

On November 5, 2018, members of the CRPS and RSD community will celebrate the fifth WHEREAS:

annual Color The World Orange Day to increase public awareness of the condition and show

support for those affected; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 5, 2018,

as COMPLEX REGIONAL PAIN SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY in Georgia and join in recognizing

COLOR THE WORLD ORANGE DAY.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 5th day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand

eighteen.

